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HEADQUARTERS
AIR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT COMMAND
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
POST OFFICE BOX 262
INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA

14 NOV 1958

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SUBJECT: (Uncl) Sentry Development Control Center

TO: Chief of Staff
Headquarters USAF
Washington 25, D. C.

1. Inclosed is a letter from Lockheed Aircraft Corporation offering to transfer to the Air Force, without cost, a 11.4 acre site adjacent to the Sentry Production Plant at Sunnyvale, California for the construction of the Sentry Development Control Center.

2. A survey was made of all government-owned property in the vicinity of San Francisco, California in an attempt to find a facility that could be modified to satisfy the requirements or a site suitable for construction of the proposed facility. No government-owned facility or property was found that would satisfy the requirements.

3. It is recommended that Lockheed Aircraft Corporation's offer of the site at Sunnyvale be accepted for the following reasons:

a. The site is immediately adjacent to the Sentry Production Facility and meets all the requirements for construction of the proposed facility.

b. A computer is available at the Sentry Production Facility that can be utilized, which will save the cost of an additional computer for the Development Control Center.

c. The required property is available immediately and will be transferred to the Air Force without cost.

d. Location of the Development Control Center adjacent to the Sentry Production Facility will afford simplified management and result in savings of both management and technical personnel.

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4. Also inclosed is an AF Form 161 for the first increment of the proposed facility. This form supplements the information contained in the "Advanced Reconnaissance System Development Plan, Sentry Program," dated 15 September 1958, which was approved by your Headquarters.

5. In order to meet established program milestones, design of the project is proceeding. It will be necessary to solicit bids for construction in January 1959 and commence construction by 1 February 1959. In order that construction will not be affected by winter rains occurring at that season, we propose to immediately place a contract for site preparation including the removal of black adobe top soil and replacement with selected fill material. Construction of this project will be accomplished by the San Francisco District Engineer.

6. In view of the above, immediate allotment of funds in the amount of $1,500,000 is requested for the subject facility. Funding of this item together with items previously requested will fulfill all known FY 59 facility requirements for this weapon system.

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1. Cy ltr fr Lockheed
2. AF Fm 161 (in trip)

SIGNED

B. A. SCHRIEVER
Major General, USAF
Commander

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